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Macomb County Library

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MACOMB COUNTY LIBRARY OFFERS PROGRAM ON EMERALD ASH BORER

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, Mich. – The Macomb County Library is presenting a program to educate residents about the Emerald Ash Borer epidemic and help prevent further devastation.

"The Emerald Ash Borer – A Michigan Tragedy" runs from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18. The ash borer was discovered in southeast Michigan in 2002.

The Emerald Ash Borer is an exotic beetle that originated in Asia and made its way to the United States on cargo ships and airplanes. It has wreaked havoc on the Ash trees of Michigan, Ohio and Indiana, killing close to 10 million trees and costing municipalities, individuals and companies millions of dollars.

The program's presenter, Sandra Goeddeke-Richards, is the Horticulture Program coordinator for the Macomb County Michigan State University Extension. She has a bachelor's degree in Horticulture from Michigan State, and coordinates the Master Gardener Volunteer Training Program, providing technical diagnostic services to home gardeners. She has also been the Emerald Ash Borer education coordinator in Macomb County since 2004.

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Please call Macomb County Library for reservations at 586-286-6660.

The Macomb County Library is located at 16480 Hall Road (near Garfield), Clinton Township. The library is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday from September through May. Click on www.libcoop.net/mcl for dates and times of additional programs.

The Macomb County Library and its many programs and services are a public service of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners.

About Macomb County

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 825,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.